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## Parents Appeal to Selectmen Over Camp Marion Incident

By Alex G. Belisle

**SUTTON.** The March 27 Selectmen's meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Chairman Rick LaBonte with all board members present.

### Town Administrator's Update

Town Administrator Dexter Blois called on Ed Wrenn, Chairman of the Recreation Committee, to give an update on Camp Marion.

Wrenn reported that he had been in touch with the Director of the Architectural Design Project at the University of Massachusetts who explained that the Camp Marion Site Development Committee was about to see some viable progress on plans and overlays which were promised as part of an agreement entered into with the town.

Wrenn said the Committee has met three times, most recently on Sunday, March 25. He said he was disappointed with the UMass project and informed them of that. He said he was told that the students were doing an assessment of the site during the past two to three weeks and that the town would be receiving some hard plans and overlays at their next meeting on April 4.

He said that though he was uncomfortable with the agreement a few weeks ago, he believes there has been a turn around, and he has confidence with the director who assures him that UMass will fulfill the \$1,400 agreement that they signed with former town planner Ted Brovitz.

### Bids

Blois reported that he opened bids on two items on March 26. The first was a \$6,000 bid by Cook Landscaping to remove approximately eight acres of trees and brush from a 13.5 acre site on Hough Road. Wrenn said the site is to be used for both active and passive recreation. Both Blois and Wrenn agreed that the bid was reasonable given the amount of work that has to be done.

The award was approved on a motion by Mary K. Connor. The funds for the project will come out of the Recreation Budget.

The second bid was for a skid type firefighting unit which conformed to specifications set by Fire Chief John Peterson. Blois explained that a \$5,999 bid was received by Stanley Fire Equipment. LaBonte moved to approve the appropriation. It passed unanimously.

### Class II License

A hearing was held to consider a Class II Car Dealer's license for Michael Stebbins. Blois explained that a formal hearing did not have to be held for this type of license but that the by-laws require that the selectmen approve a special permit for this use.

Stebbins said he wanted to have the license transferred from Ron Gustafson to himself. Blois explained that the license is not

transferrable. He also noted that Gustafson did not pick up his used car license for 1990.

Stebbins said he wanted a license to sell five classic and five regular used cars.

Selectman Mike Chizy said that neighbors agreed to allow Gustafson to have a car dealership because he was a neighbor and ran a nice operation. He also said that the neighbors expressed a desire to see the license dropped if Gustafson was no longer using the site. Chizy added that there are enough used car dealers along Rt. 146.

Selectman Carl Licopoli commented that it appeared that the selectmen accommodated Gustafson because he was a good neighbor. He said that the location is not well suited for a used car lot and if Gustafson no longer wants to operate that business, the board should not allow it.

On a motion from Mike Chizy and a second by Wally Johnson, the petition was unanimously denied.

### Public Forum

James Nault addressed the board regarding an incident that took place at Camp Marion on March 23. Nault prefaced his remarks by stating that he was not certain whether the board should hear his comments in executive session or in public. Blois offered that he did not think that the matter could properly be heard under the open meeting law, Section 3, which provides for the town to hear matters being litigated in executive session.

Board member Mary K. Connor said the issue would probably best come under section 2 of the by-law which provides for airing a complaint in executive session.

"I have no problem with airing this in public," Nault said, "I just didn't know if you wanted to do that."

Johnson indicated that the decision to make his comments in open session was up to Nault.

With that issue resolved, Nault read from a prepared statement. According to Nault, on Friday, March 23, about 30 young people - some from Sutton, some from other area towns - were discovered inside a building at Marion's Camp by Sergeant Harris, Officer Bardier and Officer Greeno. There was a fire in the fireplace of the building and some alcohol present, "although there seems to be a major discrepancy in the amount confiscated," Nault said.

According to Nault, Harris put the fire out with some of the confiscated beer. He then had all of the young people line up and give their names, addresses, telephone numbers, and social security numbers on their way out. Harris told them to expect a call at a later date. Nault said that most of the families were called on March 23 or March 24.

Nault said the phone call surprised him and he then called the first selectman he could contact "to see just what was going to

transpire and what form it was going to take." Nault said he spoke with Chizy who said he was unaware of the situation but would get back to him with information as soon as possible.

Nault said he then called Blois at his home. Blois said he would contact Police Chief Shaw and Chizy and get back to Nault.

Nault said he asked Blois if a

could be arranged with the chief, some members of the board of selectmen, Blois, and the families of the youths involved. He said Blois asked that 10 or 12 people representative of the group attend rather than 60 parents.

According to Nault, the meeting was arranged for Sunday, March 25, at 9:00 p.m. Attending the meeting were nine parents, Chizy, LaBonte, Blois, Shaw and Harris. Nault said that he requested a copy of the police report at that time and was told that the report was not public information because there were juveniles involved. He said he has since learned that the names of the juveniles were on a separate piece of paper. "The police

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## Thank You!



MILLBURY - The Women's Fellowship of the Millbury Baptist Church held a recognition dinner in the church hall on March 28 for members of the Millbury Police and Fire Departments. The dinner was held to acknowledge those individuals who risk their lives for the protection of the community.

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## We The People...

### Calls for "Yes" Vote on Charter

To the Editor:

On Tuesday, April 24, 1990 a question will appear on the ballot that will ask the citizens of Millbury to approve a new Charter. Please "VOTE YES" on this question.

The voters of Millbury at the 1989 town election, seeing a need to review and modify (if necessary) our town government, overwhelmingly voted to create a Charter Commission. That commission, of which I am proud to be a member, is proposing a Charter that strengthens the Board of Selectmen, includes a strong Town Manager for added operational control, and of equal importance are provisions to improve fiscal control as we feel the results of the state's financial problems.

There are those who would ask you to vote against the Charter because some possible provision is not included. This is a very narrow view. It would be impossible to foresee, agree and include all possibilities. However, it will be possible to modify the Charter once it is accepted without forming a Charter Commission.

Please support the Charter and "VOTE YES" on election day, April 24, 1990. Thank you.

Gerald J. Bleau  
Charter Commissioner/Selectman

### No Immediate Recourse

To the Editor:

It has come to my attention that the proponents of the proposed Millbury Charter are spreading the word that the charter should be approved by the voters for it can be amended later on to include a Recall Provision. This is not as easy as they make it sound to get your vote.

My recent investigation into this matter revealed that the Home Rule Amendment Act indicates that only a charter

commission may propose any change in the composition, mode of election or appointments, or terms of office of the legislative body (town meeting members), or the board of selectmen or town manager. Therefore, it is my understanding that a town meeting may not propose a charter amendment for a recall provision which could affect the term of the office of the board of selectmen. Thus, a recall provision can only be made part of a charter in three methods. They are as follows: by charter adoption, by charter revision, or by special legislation petitioned for by a two-thirds vote of the town meeting. After approval by the Great and General Court, the question is placed on the ballot at a regular town election for approval by the voters.

Since the vote of the Millbury Charter Commission on February 14 was 5 to 4 not to consider a recall provision for placement on the ballot for the April 24 town election, that method was effectively defeated. The revision method would require a new charter commission be elected. It is inconceivable that the town would go through all that trouble just to have one provision for recall included in the town charter. The last option would be for the town meeting to petition the state legislature by a two-thirds vote for special legislation to provide recall for the charter. This method can also be utilized for a town without a charter. Final approval must be made by ballot at the regular town election by the voters.

This method, in my opinion, would be an exercise in futility. It has been reported in various newspapers that when a bill is filed by a local legislator on behalf of any constituents, he is asked whether or not he approves of the bill. If he disapproves, the bill never makes it through the legislative process.

On June 19, 1989, during a Charter Commission meeting, Representative Kollios was asked to give his views on the concepts for a new charter. He indicated that he was absolutely against a recall provision. His opinion was that every elected person has a term which he or she should be able to fulfill. He was unclear as to what should happen to an elected official who is not carrying out the will of the people. In my opinion, it is doubtful that any petition to the state legislature for recall would ever find its way through the legislative process since Representative Kollios is so vehemently opposed to it.

Regardless, cities and towns continue to adopt recall provisions in their charters and by-laws as indicated by information obtained from certain state agencies. Information obtained from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Communities and Development indicates that as of 1987, two cities and 43 towns had provisions via charters or special legislation. Additional updated information from Secretary of State Michael J. Connolly's office indicates that there are now three cities, 69 towns and one fire district with recall provisions. The \$64,000 question is, if recall provisions are not needed, or viewed as unimportant as a control over government, then why are more and more citizens in the cities and towns in Massachusetts demanding that recall provisions be adopted in their form of government?

Why? Obviously, citizens want one of the main precepts of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as adopted in 1780 to be strictly adhered to now, and not just at election time.

The precept is stated very clearly and is understandable by all and is as follows: Since the power of government is ours, and our officers derive their power from us, they are at all times accountable to us. Too many elected officials at all levels of government have overlooked or forgotten about this pillar which supports all democratic governments. They must be continually reminded of this precept by all of us.

The scenario of the Charter Commission meeting held on February 14 continues to unfold. In my opinion, it is becoming quite clear that a particular group of people in Millbury have their own political agenda which does not include having the voters in town looking over their shoulders. More importantly, without a recall provision the voters will have no immediate recourse if certain elected officials decide to carry out their own will, instead of that of the people. No immediate recourse, no immediate recourse!

My fellow citizens, voters and taxpayers, you had better scrutinize the proposed Millbury Charter with great care. Look beyond the words and try to visualize what you are giving up and in turn what controls you will have over this new form of government. We all know that once you give up some of your rights it will just about take a revolution to get them back. Vote NO on the proposed charter question, for your right of control over your government is not guaranteed.

Sylvio E. Bourdeau  
Citizen for Accountable Government  
in the Town of Millbury

## OBITUARIES

### Earl L. Mongeon

MILLBURY - Earl L. Mongeon, 80, of 97 Millbury Avenue, died March 21 in his home.

He leaves his wife, Florence M. (George) Mongeon; a son, Thomas V. Mongeon of Princeton; two daughters, Norma J. Mailberg of Princeton and Linda G. Lunt of Shrewsbury; a sister, Ruth Sebring of Middleton, and three grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Mongeon observed their 61st wedding anniversary in June.

Born in Derry, N.H., Mr. Mongeon was the son of George and Alice (Robair) Mongeon, and lived in Worcester before moving to Millbury 70 years ago.

Mr. Mongeon was a machine adjuster at Worcester Envelope Co. where he worked 43 years. He retired in 1974. He also served as a member of the Civil Air Patrol during World War II. He was a member of the Olive Branch Lodge of Masons.

Funeral services were held in Mulhane Home for Funerals. The Rev. Dr. George D. Kinney officiated. Burial was in Central Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association, 23 Midstate Drive, Auburn.

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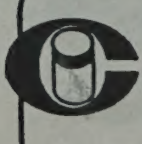


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## Millbury Selectmen's Meeting Digest

# Board Discusses Raises for Department Heads

By Edward J. Cooney

MILLBURY - Chairman Jude Cristo called the March 27 meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Warrants were signed and minutes of March 20th were approved 4-0.

### Center School Playground

Administrative Assistant Earl Chase reported that Hartford Insurance has reviewed the Center School and the transfer station. According to Chase, the company indicated that there were no problems with the transfer station but they did express concerns with the playground area at the school. Chase said some chains on the swings are broken and the foundation for the swings is above the ground. He also noted that the board is responsible for the maintenance of the area.

Cristo said the board should look to the Parks Department to maintain it.

Selectman Roland Lachance moved to ask the Parks Department to maintain the area and to explore the feasibility of using the area for a "kiddie playground." His motion was approved 4-0.

### Traffic Signal

Chase said he received an inquiry from Margaret Lavalée of Oakes Street concerning plans for the installation of a traffic signal at Rte. 122 at the entrance to the Massachusetts Turnpike. He said she is concerned that the light would create more traffic problems for residents getting in and out of Oakes Street.

Cristo said he considered the traffic signal a way of improving that situation since traffic would have to stop. He also suggested that Lavalée be asked to attend the next meeting to discuss her concerns.

### Cesyl Mills

Chase reported that he and Selectman Roland Lachance met with Marc Aronson of Cesyl Mills to discuss the parking of trailers on and across the sidewalks on West Main Street in front of the mill.

According to Chase, a six-inch sidewalk will be installed to carry the load of the trailers. He also said that Aronson has indicated he would alter the dock so trailers would not have to park on or across the sidewalk. Aronson will pay for the sidewalk.

### Cleaning Day

Cristo told his colleagues that Conservation Committee Chairman Richard Luikey was seeking the board's support for a cleaning day in town on April 22 as part of the 20th anniversary of the celebration of Earth Day. The board unanimously approved the request.

### Overweight Vehicles

Police Chief Ron Stokowski spoke to the board concerning the ticketing and weighing of trailer trucks that are overweight and passing through the center of town in order to bypass the Rte. 146 bridge. He said he spoke with legal counsel and the state police truck team who indicated that Massachusetts General Laws say that trucks can operate on through routes. Stokowski also said that, even if the town enacts a truck exclusion bylaw, if the trucks have a proper permit from the state they cannot be cited.

Lachance asked if any information had been received from Rep. Kollios' office as was promised in December. Chase said that Craig Blais, aide to Kollios, said they were trying to set up a meeting with the D.P.W.

"Paul (Kollios) told us the state was looking at giving a possible waiver (to allow the trucks to go over the bridge)," Lachance said. "To what extent has the state got into granting a waiver?"

Chase said they were not moving on that at all.

Stokowski also noted that the bridge over Rte. 146 that is posted for weight limits is not the only problem. "The next one down over the river is a serious problem," he said.

Selectman Gerry Bleau suggested that North Main Street be used as an alternative route.

Stokowski said the board should discuss the issue of an alternate route with town counsel.

### Raises

Stokowski reminded board members that last week at the department heads' meeting he reflected on the fact that there were only nine employees in town departments that received no consideration for pay raises. "I have since learned that administrators in the School Department received raises for three years under contract. I don't take that as being palatable," he said. "Nine out of 300 town employees were not considered. I do recall Mr. Chairman, that if other department heads received raises you would squawk at the town meeting. It's a little late to do that on the town floor if the personnel board has not had the opportunity to deal with the issue of raises and come up with a recommendation."

Cristo asked Chase if he had an opportunity to get information from the school department. Chase said he had not. "Do you know who got raises in the school department?" Cristo asked.

Stokowski replied that everyone got raises. Cristo said he wanted to know how much they received. He also asked Chase to develop a list showing which department heads did not receive raises.

"I've said it before in the past and I will say it again," Cristo remarked. "If some town administrators and elected officers get raises then all should. I thought all should be level funded. The school department in its own wisdom gave raises. My proposal would be to calculate the money needed to give other town department heads raises and amend the school budget on the town floor to subtract that amount and apply it to those who did not get raises. I can't see not giving other administrators a raise. I do not think it's fair. If they (school committee) can afford to do that, maybe they can afford a lot more because none of the rest of us seem to be able to give raises."

Stokowski noted that the Personnel Board could provide the selectmen with all the figures they needed if given

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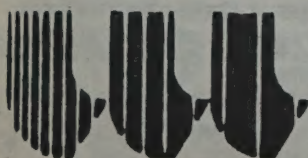
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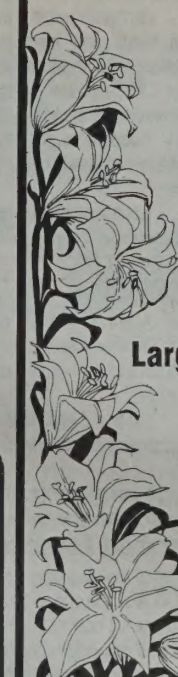
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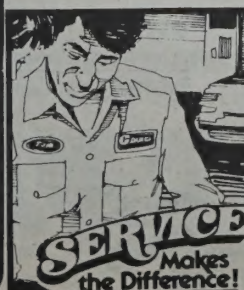
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the authority to do that.

"I suppose they could make recommendations," Cristo said. "It would not necessarily change the scenario. We need to find money. Obviously the school department has money; we have no money. The school department has all the money to give all their administrators a raise. The scenario is different here (at the town hall)."

Stokowski noted that money was found to give all but nine town employees raises.

"The school department did (give everyone raises)," Cristo said.

"So did the town," Stokowski replied.

"If we knew where we would be I suppose we wouldn't have the collective bargaining agreements we have," Cristo said. "Hindsight is a great thing."

"If I knew I had my raise secured when I presented my budget I would have made cuts somewhere else," Stokowski said. I came in with a budget with my raise in it. The board took a position and we thought it would be carried out throughout town government. Apparently it wasn't. We have to hold the line and agree to sit back and watch an unequal position play out."

"If we find the money we can do something," Cristo said. "If not, there is nothing we can do about it. Obviously we can only find it in the school department budget. They found the money."

Selectman Donald Gauthier suggested that the Personnel Board be asked for a recommendation.

Personnel Board Chairman Craig Coppola asked for a clarification on a department that came in with a 10.5% cut but also figured in a 5% or 6% raise.

"I'm trying to clarify that," Cristo said. "The school department went and did their own thing. Our position has been to treat all departments equally. I can't settle with, for example, the planning board giving a raise and another department not because they don't have the money to move on a raise. As I said last week at the department head meeting, we all go as a team or not go at all. I guess it fell on deaf ears. It was a lack of intestinal fortitude as I did not get back any feedback as to who was going to get any raises or who wasn't. A lot of silent tongues I guess. Yet the next night the school committee made some moves in that direction (granting raises to the superintendent and curriculum coordinator)."

"I understood what you were speaking about last January (asking for level funding of salaries for department heads)," Stokowski said. "Everybody was watching to see if everyone else was going to do the same thing. But now that they haven't, it's time for you people to support everyone that was put on hold if the money is available. If not, it's not."

Lachance asked if there was any way to encumber surplus funds and have the personnel board go into negotiations with department heads.

"I don't know," Cristo replied. "I think we could let them make recommendations on pending revenues."

Coppola suggested the possibility of funding an article for use of discretionary funds similar to what was done last year.

Lachance moved to allow the Personnel Board to discuss potential salaries with the department heads. The board approved 4-0.

## Memorial Day

Veterans Agent Phil Buso discussed the Memorial Day program. He noted that last year the V.F.W. organized and ran the program and suggested that the American Legion plan this year's program.

The board approved moving the starting time up for the ceremonies since Dwinell Cemetery has been added to the itinerary.

It was also noted that Assumption Church is the next church in the cycle for the Memorial Day church services.

## Watershed Association

Roy Ahlen of the Singletary Lake Watershed Association was present to seek the support and signature of the board for a waiver of the fee cost of \$725 for de-weeding of the lake. He said the cost of the de-weeding would be \$3,000. The board approved the waiver on a 4-0 vote.

## Bicycle Race

At 8:00 p.m. the board listened to a proposal for a bicycle race to be held in town on Father's Day. Gordon Clark, race organizer, told the board that a change would be made in the route to accommodate the churches and nursing home. He said the routes would be reviewed by the Safety Officer for recommendations.

Stokowski said this was the first time he was made aware of the route and would have to look it over. He asked what prompted the change in routes.

Clark replied that there was a wedding at St. Brigid's on that day and that there are four churches and a nursing home on the old route. "We felt it was better all around to change it," he said.

The board voted 4-0 to take the matter under advisement. The proposed route would be over Howe Avenue and Millbury Avenue.

## Sewerage Commission

Chase said a letter was received from Town Counsel that supports the allocation of costs of general government to the Sewerage Commission for the purpose of establishing a pricing system. Cristo said a letter was received from counsel pertaining to an opinion on the present Millbury-Sutton agreement for use of the waste water treatment plant. "It is confidential at this point," Cristo said.

Lachance suggested that the Sewerage Commission was not cutting its budget. "They are circumventing 2 1/2," he said.

## Asa Waters Mansion

At 8:15, the Historical Commission and Council on Aging Director Judith O'Connor met to discuss a proposal to replace a strip of asphalt and widen an area for access by trucks and cars to load and unload hot meals at the Asa Waters Mansion.

Cristo noted that there was an article on the warrant for money to install blue stone. The concern was whether the asphalt would detract from the historical aspects of the mansion.

Lachance maintained that the Council wanted to put in a loading dock and pave right up to the door.

"We never said that," Cristo replied. "We want a healthy discussion to see how we can meet everyone's goals. We have to balance the functional with the historical."

"I just want to replace asphalt already there," O'Connor said. "The janitor doesn't think blue stone is practical there. I had him look at it. I'm not trying to change the design of anything."

Lincoln Bordeaux, a member of the Historical Commission, said that some day the town will have to address the fact that the mansion is not an appropriate site for the Council on Aging. "You have schools around here that are more readily available," he said. "There are too many people in the building. You can't afford to maintain it. As long as the Council on Aging is there, there will always be a problem because it is not the type of building for what you are using it for."

"Maybe the Center School in the future could be utilized by the Council," Cristo said.

Bleau asked the Historical Commission members for their views on the asphalt.

"We are still thinking," Commission member Cynthia Burr replied. "You have given us only 10 minutes; give us a chance to think. In general you know how we feel. You know the outside position. No asphalt, don't pave anything. That's been the response. If you are going to press me for an answer right now, that's the answer you're going to get right back. If you give us a minute to think about it we might be able to come up with a feasible solution for everyone."

"That's what we're looking for," Cristo said, "something everyone can live with." He also noted that a long range solution may be to look at more spacious quarters for the Council on Aging.

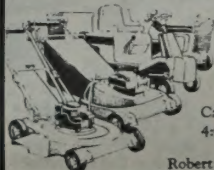
O'Connor said the Council has been working on that. "We plan to make a proposal this year, maybe next year," she said. "We are trying to bite the bullet. We are overcrowded, that's a fact, but we have to be functional while we are there."

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report should have been made public," he said.

"At that meeting," Nault said, "it was discussed between the people and the chief to see if we couldn't reasonably come to some understanding as to what transpired and what could be done about it. I would like to say at this point that there wasn't one parent or group of parents involved that wanted to do anything to see that their child would not be culpable in this matter. Everybody, to a person, expected punishment of some sort," he said. "The chief seemed pretty indignant at that meeting that he was going to file and that he wasn't going to be swayed from it. We pleaded with him to see if we could do some kind of community service or something upon that line. Dexter (Blois) had reservations with that as far as the liability the town might incur."

According to Nault, Chizy and LaBonte explained at the meeting that they had no control over the chief and that he had the final say in the matter. He also said the chief told them that the next step would be a "show cause" hearing and that the parents could attend at that time, but it wasn't necessary for them to do so.

Nault said the chief called him on Monday at 4:00 p.m. to inform him that he did file a petition for charges. He also said that Shaw informed him that he recommended, as the parents had requested, that all court matters be held during a school vacation so that the "children" would not lose school days.

Nault digressed momentarily



Entrance to Marion's Camp

explaining to the selectmen, "I don't think we're talking in total about a bunch of criminals here. We're talking about some 16, 17, and 18 old girls, at least 15 or so, I'm not sure of the exact total," he said, "involved in this. And there may be one or two people - I'm not going to say that they're all sweethearts - that may have had a criminal complaint at one time or other - but most of these kids are town kids; they're honor students at the school. This is not an excuse for them, now, but these aren't just run of the mill criminal juvenile delinquent type kids."

Nault then said that the chief told the parents, "if they or their lawyers made no appeals on their behalf which would put a wrench in the works, he would arrange with the clerk magistrate for a 'continued without a finding' sentence for six months... and also 25 hours of community service."

According to Nault, Shaw said he wanted to meet with the youths involved in the police department training room on Wednesday night. Nault maintained that Shaw said he was going to contact each "child." Nault said he personally considers 16 and 17

year olds to be "children."

Nault said that at the time, he told Shaw that he did not have a problem with that meeting. He said he was later told that such a meeting was irregular. "Our attorneys are strongly urging that that (the Wednesday meeting) not happen," Nault said.

Nault said Shaw told the parents that he could file four charges: breaking and entering in the nighttime, alcohol related charges, trespassing and vandalism. As Nault continued his discussion of the charges, Licopoli interrupted and questioned, because of the nature of Nault's comments, whether the board might want to consider going into executive session. "If you want to keep going," he said to Nault, "it's alright with me."

Connor said there was a provision for executive session under section 2 for bringing complaints against a public officer. She added that the board would have had to file a notice and inform the official in writing 48 hours in advance.

Blois asked if Nault was making a complaint or merely stating the facts, a question which was echoed by Johnson.

"I'm absolutely making a complaint against the Police Chief," Nault replied.

Nault continued with a narrative of the events. He said that Shaw was going to charge the youths with trespassing and vandalism. He also said there was no such charge as vandalism and that the charge had to read "willful and malicious destruction of property or wanton destruction of property." He said the former charge was a felony and the latter a misdemeanor.

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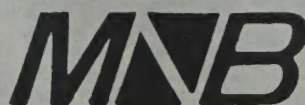
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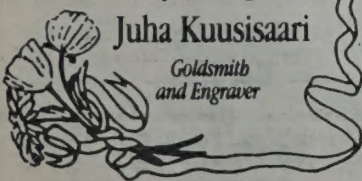
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## From My Window on Farnsworth Court

By "Pastor Rae" Cameron

Someone said the other day that they enjoyed my ramblings. Well, here we go again with some ramblings. It is nice to meet many of you who are out there on the reading end. I hope you enjoy reading as much as I do writing.

Well, it finally happened. I got the call that one of my dear ladies had been struck by a cement truck on the Elm Street corner. She said she had pressed the "Walk" button, the walk sign had gone on and she had started across when all of a sudden there was this big truck and she was laying on her back. She was hurting pretty bad when I found her in the emergency room of the hospital, but the preliminary findings showed nothing serious.

I've said it before, but here we go again. The walk sign needs to be longer to enable even the fastest of us to get across let alone the multitude of senior citizens that we have at that corner. Then too, those "Right on Red" signs need to be changed to "No Right on Red." Finally, we need what I would call a "Town Cop."

Our regular police do a wonderful job at what they do, and we honored them and the firemen with a wonderful banquet the other night. Thank you all for such a good turnout and such a receptive spirit. We all had a good time.

But now, back to the "Town Cop." He or she would be on foot in the center of town. It could be a part time job for several retired people. The job would be to just be there to help some of our elderly across the street. Be there when the young people get out of school and are sitting on the benches at the Common. Be a friendly presence.

Well, so much for the ramblings for this week. The Lord richly bless you all real good. Amen.

## Camp Fire News

SUTTON - Sutton Camp Fire celebrated Camp Fire's 80th birthday with two special observances. On March 13, Camp Fire members invited Sutton's senior citizens to attend an afternoon of songs, skits, poems, and dances at the Sutton Elementary School. At the conclusion of the program, the youngsters distributed birthday gift boxes they had prepared for the seniors. Gifts were also delivered to senior citizens who were unable to attend.

In another tribute to Camp Fire's birthday, Camp Fire

Sunday was celebrated at the First Congregational Church of Sutton on March 18. The Rev. Andrew Bierkan welcomed Sutton Camp Fire to the service. Mark Zarzecki, a Camp Fire dad, served as lay-leader. Flag bearers were Jessica Palmer and Betsy Perry. Serving as color guards were Amanda Bohanan, Ellen Baker, Emilia Keene-Kendrick, and Amanda Steadman. Tina Coporale, Meghan Fox, Tracy Person, and Nicole Secord acted as offertory collectors. Sheryl Austin and Christina Bohanan delivered the New Testament readings. After the worship service, Camp Fire sponsored refreshments and welcomed the congregation to a social hour.

## Preschool Accepting Applications

MILLBURY - The Integrated Preschool Class at the Elmwood Street School is now accepting applications for the 1990-91 school year. Children who will be three or four years of age and are residents of Millbury are eligible to apply. Students in the class are a mixture of special needs children and non-special needs children.

There is no cost for this program as funding has been provided through a Special Education Early Childhood Grant. Parents must transport their child to and from the program. Approximately 12 children will be selected on a lottery basis from among those who apply.

The Integrated Preschool Class offers instruction in a variety of areas including: language, fine motor, socialization, and daily living skills. Children enjoy activities in music, art, mathematics, science and reading readiness. Special activities such as cooking, field trips and holiday parties are also planned. Active parent involvement is encouraged.

If you would like additional information or would like to file an application for your child to be considered, call Linda Oroszko, school psychologist, at 865-3541. Applications will be accepted through Friday, April 27.

## ZAP IV Needs You

The Blackstone River, winding its way for 50 miles from Worcester to Providence, has become a virtual dumping ground for industrial wastes, old refrigerators, and outgrown bicycles. Even entire automobiles have found a final resting place in this valley - until ZAP day.

ZAP Day, derived from World War II's Operation ZAP, is a project to clean the whole Blackstone River. Operation ZAP will be engaging in its fourth campaign on Saturday, April 21, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ZAP IV will target several sites in both Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Since the success of ZAP IV depends on volunteer

efforts, your help, even if it is just for an hour or so, would be appreciated. To volunteer, call Shirley Mikelk or Peggy Jorritsma at 885-2595 or 885-4275. Show that you care about the community you live in. Call and volunteer for ZAP IV today!

## SUTTON SENIOR NEWS

### WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

**MONDAY:** Crafts from 1-3 in the Senior Center. Medical appointments all day, pre-registration required.

**TUESDAY:** Pokeno at 10 a.m. at the Senior Center. Lunch at noon. Pitch at 1:00 p.m. Special shopping in the afternoon, pre-registration required.

**WEDNESDAY:** Exercise at 11:00 a.m. at the Senior Center. Lunch at noon. Medical appointments in the afternoon, pre-registration required.

**THURSDAY:** grocery shopping all day, pre-registration required. Health checks from 8-9:30 a.m. in the Community Room at Orchard Apartments. Information and Referral Service from 10-11:30 a.m., also in the community room.

**FRIDAY:** lunch at noon. Blood pressures taken from 12:30-1:00 p.m. in the municipal center library. Tax assistance from 1-3 p.m., pre-registration required.

## Exchange Program

SUTTON - On Tuesday, March 20, eight members of the Sutton High School Student Council participated in an exchange program with eight members of the Nipmuc Student Council. While at each others schools, the members exchanged lives for a day.

The program was sponsored by the Student Councils in an attempt to create a better relationship with and understanding of other councils and to strengthen ties with other Dual Valley schools. It was a huge success and a true benefit to all who participated.

Members who went to Nipmuc were: Seniors Kurt Martin and Tara Willette, Juniors Jayna Morello and Weston Moran, Sophomores Kristen Levins and Kenneth Stockhaus, and Freshmen Craig Giguere and Nicole Gravison. Members of Sutton Student Council who acted as hosts and hostesses at Sutton High were: Senior Cynthia Bazin, Junior Jason Perry, Sophomore Kara Houlihan, and Freshman Brandon Kibbe. Their advisor is David Muradian.

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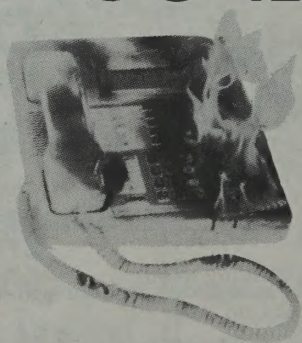
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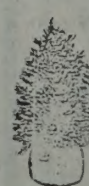
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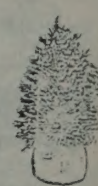
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Nault said he was told that the arresting officer wanted to charge the youths with "wanton" destruction and that the chief insisted on "willful and malicious under \$250." "It scares me to death," he said. "These are very serious charges." He said the Chief keeps saying that he has it arranged for a continuation without a finding and 25 hours of community service. "He cannot guarantee that," Nault said, "and a clerk magistrate cannot guarantee that. That is up to a judge if it goes that far and that (maximum) sentence can be imposed."

Nault asked the board, "I want to know why he (Shaw) is insisting on filing for willful and malicious destruction of property, the most serious charge?"

Later Nault said, "We asked him, couldn't we work around this, and he said, no, he was going to bring the charges and go for the whole court route."

LaBonte asked Nault, "By work around it, you mean couldn't we avoid going to court?"

Nault replied, "We all know probably what's going to happen is, we're going to march 15 girls and 15 boys into that court and are going to get continued without a finding and community service. And I said and what the parents said was, couldn't we just do away with all this fancy legalese, malicious, destructive stuff and see if we couldn't get these kids to clean up Marion's Camp." Nault said that the parents feel that the youths will be remanded to the Chief to do community service anyway.

"No one here wanted to circumvent the law," Nault said, "but we tried to bring up when Chief Conley was Chief for all those years and Lieutenant Alger, a lot of this stuff was handled right with those people with the blessing of the selectmen. No one tried to circumvent the law, but if Clarence Alger saw you screw around in a car or with alcohol, he gave you a boot in the rear end; he called your parents; he ripped up your license; he was like

your father. And only the criminals, the juvenile delinquents, actually went through this court business. And I'm not saying that they shouldn't; I don't know if they should go to court; I really in my heart don't think so, not if they're going to be remanded back to town to clean up the camp. We wanted to do that in the first place."

Nault maintained that his daughter did not leave his house until 9:30 p.m., and consequently was at the party only 20 minutes before the police arrived. He also said that the Chief alleged that there were large quantities of alcohol present. "I was led to believe there was only two cases of beer or bags," Nault said. "It doesn't sound to me that there was vast quantities, and not one parent is making excuses for that. I certainly don't condone my daughter being anywhere near where there's alcohol, and I'm sure these people would say the same thing."

Nault stated that another problem the parents had was with the "No Trespassing" posting at Marion's Camp. "These kids went there at 9:30 - 9:45 P.M. Friday night. We've been there. There is one, perhaps two visible signs from the road. It's approximately 8-10 feet from the side of the road. This 'No Trespassing' sign is left over from the Campfire Association. Since the town of Sutton has bought this property, they have not, what I call 'legally' posted it as having 'No Trespassing.' I mean, like a big 'No Trespassing' sign on the gate that if you went there on foot you'd have to walk by instead of looking up at a tree."

Dick Courtney also addressed the Selectmen saying that one of the problems he had was with the allegation of willful and malicious destruction of property. He said he was told that the charge implies an intent on the part of the youths to deliberately go there to destroy property. "My daughter in no way would go down there and actually destroy property," Courtney said. "I take personal offense to that. Since then, I have learned from people on that committee (Camp Marion Site Development Committee) that that building's been open all year; that fishermen have been going in there weekends, starting

fires in that building, and that neighbors can verify that; that the doors have been wide open in that building until about two weeks ago; and that the building was open to anyone who wanted to go in there."

"The kids did not think they were trespassing and poor judgement on their part is not a crime," Nault said. "These kids are scared to death, and I don't think that they're ever, ever going to go to Marion's Camp whether or not you make a McDonald's waterslide park out of the place."

Nault summarized saying, "You selectmen are responsible for the actions of the Chief of Police and the policy that he has set forth for this small rural town. Is this the proper technique that you had in mind when you hired him? We think not; the people think not. Also, we are aware of the fact that the selectmen are the overseers of town property, and you have the right as overseers of town property not to press charges in this case and take matters into your own hands, and we could probably stop this outrage now. With all of the improper things that we feel that have happened, wouldn't it be in the best interest of the town to have these kids pay their debts to the town and not in the District Court in Uxbridge facing felony charges?"

Another parent, Carol Houlihan, maintained that her daughter was not involved in any destruction and said her husband will not allow their daughter to go to court and plead guilty to something she did not do. She also said she believes that the chief did try to explain to the parents what would happen. "It's not good for these kids to have to go through this nor the parents," Houlihan said. "All the parents are sick over this. My husband being a police officer - and he is not a lenient one by any means - also feels that there could have been other ways that this should have been done. I just don't think it's

fair that these kids are going to have to go through all this for such a little thing," she said.

LaBonte then responded to Nault's summary remarks by correcting certain statements Nault attributed to him. He invited any of the parents in attendance at the Sunday meeting to correct him if they felt he was wrong.

LaBonte said that Nault quoted him as saying that the selectmen had no control over the Chief. LaBonte explained that what he said was that the selectmen had no authority to ask the Chief of Police not to enforce the laws. He also took issue with Nault referring to the participants as "children." "I think the term 'young adults' is better," LaBonte said. He also emphasized that the Sunday meeting with the Chief was at the request of Nault and not Chizy, him, Blois or the Chief. Nault agreed, but added that his attorney said that the chief should not have been there.

LaBonte also took issue with the implication that the Chief would arrange a deal. "What he (the chief) said was that he'd recommend to the court that they be continued for a length of time without a finding and that they be given community service," LaBonte said. "I believe one of the last things that was said at that meeting by Mr. Blois and reiterated by the chief was that you had every right to seek legal counsel and to be represented in court by legal counsel."

Licopoli said that, as a selectman who was not informed of the event, he had two concerns. The first was with the meeting that took place Sunday night and the second was with a meeting scheduled for March 29. He said he was worried about the advice that was given to the parents.

Connor said she had received several calls from parents. She also noted that

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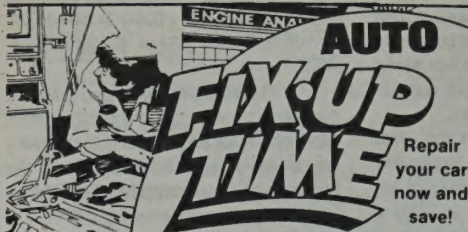


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By Rosemary Waltons

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**ART OF CONTAINER GARDENING** by Faith Whiten - shows how not to be limited by space in your gardening dreams. Whiten shows you how to take advantage of little more than a balcony, doorstep or windowsill.

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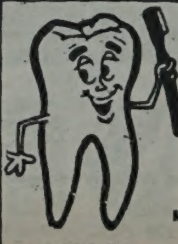
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MILLBURY - The Millbury Council on Aging will host a Bake Sale and White Elephant table on Saturday, April 14, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Asa Waters Mansion, 123 Elm Street.

Millbury's Senior Citizens will use the proceeds to purchase a new van. The van will be funded by a grant from the state (80%) with the balance (20%) to be raised by the "Friends of the Millbury Seniors, Inc."

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**THURSDAY:** Stuffed Shells/Sauce, French Fries, Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Ice Cream

**FRIDAY:** Good Friday

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**THURSDAY:** Turkey & Gravy, Mashed Potato, Peas, Cranberry Sauce, Pan Roll/Butter, Ice Cream

**FRIDAY:** Good Friday

## Women's Ecumenical Communion Service and Breakfast

SUTTON - The First Congregational Church, Boston Road at the Common, will hold a Women's Ecumenical Communion Service followed by a breakfast of ham, eggs, home fries, and corn bread on Palm Sunday, April 8, at 7:00 a.m. Tickets are \$3.50 and may be obtained at the church office or at the door. The speaker will be the Rev. Patricia Glorie, Associate Pastor of the Shrewsbury Congregational Church. Other participants will be members of Church Women United.

## Scholarships Available

MILLBURY - The Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of Millbury, also known as "Dollars for Scholars," awards scholarships to Millbury students who are already in college as well as to high school seniors. Since many college students are away from home, parents are urged to get applications and forward them to the students. Applications are available at the Whitney Insurance Agency, 112 Elm Street, Millbury. The deadline for filing applications for college students is April 20, 1990.

## Pork Chop Supper

SUTTON - A Baked-Stuffed Pork Chop Supper will be held at the Sutton Congregational Church on Saturday, April 7, with sittings at 5:00 and 6:15 p.m. This family-style supper will also include Cream of Broccoli Soup, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Homemade Bread, and Tapioca Pudding. Tickets are \$6.00 for adults and \$2.00 for preteens. There is no charge for children 5 and under.

## Rabies Clinic

MILLBURY - The Millbury Board of Health will sponsor a rabies clinic on April 7 at the Elm Street fire station. Dogs will be taken from 10-11 a.m. and cats from 11-11:30 a.m. Shots are \$6.00. All animals must be restrained. The public is also asked not to bring cats and dogs at the same time.

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# Another Point of View

## WE DESERVE WHAT WE GET!

By Lawrence Moore

In a democracy, we elect people to represent us at the several layers of Government. The electoral process has gone awry. We rarely meet our office holders face to face. To most of us, they are names. We don't know for what they stand, because today elections are won or lost on emotions generated by media reports. A candidate's position on abortion, while important, gets more attention than his plan for solving the State's financial problems.

Why?

The media are concerned with time and space. A position on abortion can be covered in 30 seconds on T.V. A fiscal plan takes much longer. A position on abortion gets readership, a financial plan takes too much space to print and explain. AND the average reader won't take time to read and understand. So we don't see what we should see to know how to vote ... even if we wanted to see it ... and even if we took the trouble to vote.

The problem is real. Walter Mondale says we have "politics of irrelevance." Lee Atwater, Republican National Chairman, says Americans think politics and politicians are full of baloney. Campaigns are based on catch-words, name-calling, personal attacks, sexual preference, ethical violations and other "media" factors related only to "election" and not remotely concerned with "governing". The Ford Foundation and the American Bar Association, among others, have undertaken studies to find out why American Democracy is not working the way it should.

For us in Massachusetts, Democracy and Election are our only hope. Revolt is out of the question. Apathy got us where we are. Abstinence perpetuates office holding incompetents. If the voice of the people is not heard, we are faced with years of financial problems.

Our General Court is composed of at least three kinds of legislators: career people, incompetents, and thinkers/planners. The career people are more concerned with re-election than with governing. The incompetents do as they are told by the leadership. The thinkers/planners are frustrated because too often their ideas conflict with the leadership, the bureaucracy, or the tenure-happy.

Why else would our General Court not have been in session these past weeks? Why has Keverian refused to call the House to session? The Democratic process has been stymied by one man, working to assure passage of a tax bill, and delaying so that if cuts are voted, it will be too late to have any affect this fiscal year.

The House, however, needs to look to future years. Fiscal proposals involving about \$300 million in cuts that will

be permanent are waiting to be acted on. A plan to fund \$400 million of the deficit, based on sales tax revenue rather than taxes is waiting. A little "Gramm Rudman" for sane fiscal management is waiting. An Efficiency and Economy Act is waiting.

The wait may soon be over. Keverian is said to be 5 short of a tax vote. He may try to bring a tax bill to the floor, but it may not pass because, as the media have reported, legislators are waiting for May 1st to see if they will be opposed for re-election before they take a position.

Meanwhile, Bulger sits idly by, letting Keverian take the heat, waiting for Keverian to hang himself. Thus will Bulger get his revenge for McGee.

If a tax bill passes, it will be rescinded by the CLT Referendum and Ballot Question, which will undoubtedly pass, and we will be, in November, exactly where we are now with the Deficit. Strangely, the people who vote AGAINST taxes will also vote FOR the legislators who passed the tax bill.

While I believe the Republicans have blown it as far as the Governorship is concerned, there is a way to make long term progress. Joining the Republicans who will run and win could be a group of Democrat candidates who believe in fiscal sanity. A coalition of responsible legislators in Connecticut succeeded in electing a Conservative Speaker who appointed four Republicans to Chairs. The coalition made progress in the fight for fiscal responsibility. Remember, conservative doesn't mean reactionary. Conservative means living within income, and being able to fund services within the budget, not with new taxes.

In order to help you judge candidates, our media must carry more than they do now about legislative proposals and legislative activity. An Editorial generalization is great, but means little if the nitty gritty is not available.

Individually, we must find out where our candidates stand on the vital issues and what proposals they offer. We must vote into office a General Court with an understanding of the issues and a willingness to do what is necessary to rescue us from the brink of disaster.

For a Democracy to work, it is the responsibility of each citizen to be a part of the electoral process by voting, to know what the issues are, to decide where he/she stands on the issues, and to make it his/her business to vote for people who support those stands. It takes effort to know for whom and why you're voting. Hopefully, the current tax and deficit debate will bring non-voters back to the polls, and awaken in all of us a deeper interest in the candidates and in the issues.

If we do not make Democracy work, we have only ourselves to blame. We deserve what we get.

## American Art Lecture

MILLBURY - On Tuesday, April 10 at 1:00 p.m., Betsy Ayres from the Worcester Art Museum will present the second of the Millbury Public Library's three part lecture series on American art. Ayres will discuss the maturation of American painting by presenting a slide tape and lecture and entertaining questions from the audience.

Coffee and sweets will be served. Funding for this series is provided by the Massachusetts Arts Lottery, administered through the Millbury Arts Council.

## Children's Tea Party

MILLBURY - The Millbury Public Library invites children to celebrate Spring with an old fashion tea party on Wednesday, April 11 at 3:30 p.m. In addition to sweet treats and lively conversation, guests will learn how to make a marshmallow rabbit. This event is open to children in kindergarten and up. Registration is necessary. To register, call 865-1181.

## Candidate's Night in Millbury

MILLBURY - The Millbury Democratic Town Committee will sponsor a candidate's night on Thursday, April 12, at 8:00 p.m. in the Millbury High School cafeteria. All candidates for the April 24 annual town election will be invited to speak. A proponent and an opponent of the proposed charter will also be invited to speak.

All unopposed candidates will have two minutes to speak. All candidates for opposed seats will have three minutes. Only candidates will be allowed to speak. A question and answer period will follow for each office.

Tom Fox Jr. will moderate the event. The public is invited, and refreshments will be served.

## Hearing on School Budget

SUTTON - The Sutton School Committee will conduct an open hearing on their FY '91 proposed budget on Monday evening, April 9, in the high school auditorium at 8:00 p.m. The hearing is in compliance with General laws Chapter 71, 5.38N, which requires that each city, town, or regional school district hold a public hearing on its proposed budget not less than seven days after publication of such notice.

The Sutton PTA will act as co-hosts with the school committee and will serve refreshments following the hearing.

## Night at the Movies to Feature 'Hello Dolly'

MILLBURY - The Millbury Woman's Club will host its 2nd annual Night at the Movies on Monday, April 23, 7:00 p.m., at the Elm Draughthouse Cinema, Elm Street. "Hello Dolly," featuring Barbra Streisand, will be shown. Tickets are \$5.00 and may be purchased from any club member. Proceeds from this event will benefit the club's Scholarship Fund.

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## Licopoli seeks Re-election



SUTTON - Carl A. Licopoli, 53, of 22 Fuller Road, is seeking re-election to the Sutton Board of Selectmen. He has served on the board since 1983.

Licopoli has been employed as a Sales Manager in the New England Division of Ingersoll Rand's Equipment Sales Group for 17 years. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Economics from Villanova University. He served in the U.S. Army from 1959 to 1962.

He served as Town Treasurer from 1975 to 1980 and on the Finance Committee from 1980 to 1983. He is also a member of the Charter Commission, the By-Law Revision Committee, and is Chairman of the Power Plant Task Force Study Committee.

Licopoli has lived in Sutton for 21 years. He is a charter member of the Sutton Lions Club, a member of St. Mark's Parish, and an incorporator of the Sutton Soccer Club. He also coached a variety of age groups in soccer from 1975 through 1986.

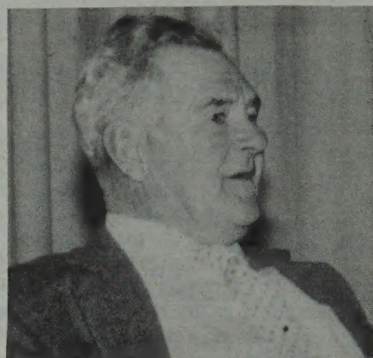
He and his wife Anne have five children, Julie, Michael, Maria, Marisa, and Carlo, and one grandchild, Madeline.

In announcing his candidacy Licopoli said, "Anne and I have been very active in Town activities since we moved here from Philadelphia in 1969. Anne, as you know, is a teacher in Sutton and coaches the high school girls varsity soccer team who were the District Champs this year. Our daughter Maria has been on the college All-New England Academic All-American team for the past two years. She graduates from Merrimack College this May."

Licopoli said he believes his 15 years of experience in town government qualifies him to continue to serve on the board of selectmen. "I want to insure that our educational programs are supported, that general government services are efficiently maintained, and that crucial municipal services are

effectively managed," he said. "In the 90's our state and our individual communities will be facing a revenue crisis. I would like to see that other revenue sources, besides the traditional sources, are investigated, studied, and, if proven beneficial, are properly implemented."

## Johnson to Run for Re-election



File Photo

SUTTON - Wallace Johnson, of 297 Boston Road, has announced his candidacy for re-election to a three year term on the Sutton Board of Selectmen. He has served on the board since 1957.

Johnson has been active in town government as a selectman and as a member and chairman of various committees over the last thirty years. He was a member of the Charter Commission which presented the town with a new charter and is currently the selectmen's representative on the School Building Committee. He is also serving on the Solid Waste Committee.

Johnson and his wife, Shirley, are members of the First Congregational Church in Sutton and are active in a wide variety of church and social activities. "Wally" has been very active in the Waters Farm Preservation Project, taking part in the "Wagon Trek" to Livermore, Maine, which served to launch the project. Johnson also is on the Board of Directors of Fidelity Co-operative Bank.

Johnson, in announcing his candidacy, said, "I would like to have an opportunity to see the projects that I have helped originate through to their completion." He said he is the only candidate who brings an historical perspective to the town. "I have been active in town politics for many years," Johnson said. "I have seen Sutton change from a small, rural town, to a complex community which faces unprecedented growth. I think that my past experience is valuable in determining the future direction of the town. In the past, mistakes were made, and I can share the experiences of the past with my fellow selectmen so that all constituencies can best be represented. Sutton's past and its future are

closely connected, and I would like to continue contributing my knowledge and experience with the other members of the board."

Johnson pledged to continue representing all of Sutton's residents, from those who were born and raised in Sutton to the members of the community who are recently attracted to Sutton because of her special qualities. "I can appreciate all the change that should take place," he said, "but I feel that it's important to make those changes within our budget. This requires setting priorities and making sacrifices. We've got to examine all issues carefully with an eye towards helping the town, while preserving its beauty and charm."

## Ceremony and Open House to Kick Off Opening of Tuttle Campaign Headquarters

MILLBURY - The Committee to Elect Alan M. Tuttle State Representative will officially open its campaign headquarters at 3 Howe Avenue with a ribbon cutting ceremony and open house on Sunday, April 8. Opening ceremonies will begin at 3:00 p.m. and continue with an open house until 5:00 p.m. The public is invited to attend. Tuttle is running for State Representative from the Seventh Worcester District.

Tuttle's election committee is also sponsoring a party to meet the candidate on Sunday, April 22, from 4:00-8:00 p.m. at Butch & Maeve's Parting Glass Pub, Rte. 146, Millbury. Tickets are \$10 per person.

## Alumni Association Holds Elections

UPTON - The Blackstone Valley Tech Alumni Association recently held its semi-annual election. Officers elected to serve for the next two years are: President, Verne Thayer (1971); Vice President, Richard Stanley (1972); Secretary, Barbara (St. George) Chauvin (1983); and Treasurer, Clement LaFlash (1970).

Elected to serve on the Board of Directors were: Peter Green (1977), Gayle (VanWert) Gaudreau (1980), Judy (Army) Gauthier (1983).

Elected as alternates were: Kurt Hartmann (1975), Allen Crawford (1989), Patricia (Moscattelli) Scanlon (1980), and John Rodominick (1974).

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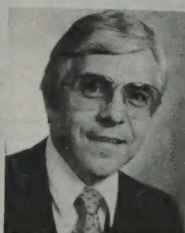
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## Annual Meeting and Banquet

MILLBURY - The Women's Fellowship of the First Congregational Church will hold its Annual Meeting and Banquet at the Cock 'n Kettle Restaurant in Uxbridge on Thursday, April 19, at 6:30 p.m. Thelma Swedberg is Program Chairwoman.

Guest speaker will be Barbara O'Brien from Raynham Center. He subject will be, "The Shape of You." According to program organizers, "Barbara is a humorous speaker, so we can look forward to an evening of laughter. We have been assured our 'SHAPES' will not be scrutinized with a tape measure or compared to health club figure charts. That means we can enjoy a delicious dinner without guilt and a chance to burn off a few calories with laughter."

Christine Rudge is in charge of dinner reservations. To register, call 865-6253 at least one week in advance. The menu choices are Chicken Supreme at \$13.50 or Baked Stuffed Shrimp at \$16.50; both are complete dinners. Register early, and invite a friend.

## Lenten Concert

MILLBURY - On Sunday, April 8, at 4:00 p.m., the Millbury Baptist Church Choir will present a Lenten concert, "To Calvary," by Everett Titcomb, American organist and composer. Charles King will be the director and accompanist. Soloists will be Barbara King and Deborah Campbell. The work recounts the story of Holy Week in music and narration. The Narrator will be H. Raeburn Cameron, The Pastor of the church. This concert is free and open to the public.

## Benefit Raises Funds

UXBRIDGE - The second annual St. Patrick's Day Benefit Bash, sponsored by the Committee to re-elect Representative Richard Moore (D-Uxbridge), raised \$100 for each of five local charities, including the Waters Farm Preservation Fund of Sutton. This event is organized by Moore to raise money and public awareness for local charities and organizations.

## Lenten Service

GRAFTON - The final program of the Lenten services presented by the Union Congregational Church of South Grafton will be held Sunday, April 8 at 7 p.m. The Messengers, from Blackstone, will present an evening of gospel music.

At the 11 a.m. worship service, Pastor Howard DeVries will continue his Easter message, "United with Christ." This week's message will be "Raised in Newness of Life," based on Romans 6:4, 12-14. The public is invited to all services of the church.

## Parents Without Partners

WORCESTER - Parents Without Partners will hold an orientation for new members on April 11 at 7:00 p.m. at All Saints Church, 10 Irving Street. In addition, the group will sponsor an open dance on Saturday, April 7 at the PNI club, Millbury Street, from 8 p.m. to midnight. Admission is \$4.00.

## Sock Hop

WORCESTER - The Worcester Webster Square Lions Club will hold its first All American 50's and 60's Sock Hop on Saturday, April 21, from 8 p.m. to midnight at the PNI Club, 290 Millbury Street. Tickets are \$8.00 and may be purchased at the door on the night of the dance.

## Environmental Awareness Conference for Worcester Area High School Students

WORCESTER - On Wednesday, April 11, high school students from Worcester area schools will have an opportunity to participate in "The Third Annual High School Environmental Awareness Conference" to be held at South High Community School. The conference is the result of cooperative efforts by the National Honor Societies of the Worcester Public Schools and the Massachusetts Audubon Society. The conference is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

Topics include: "The Paper Chase - Recycling in Your School," "Toxins - How Much Can Our Bodies Take?," "Endangered Species - Habitat is the Key," "Heavy Metal and the Blackstone River," "The Alaska Oil Spill - Is It Worth the Energy?," "Rain Forests or Fast Food - It's Your Choice."

Anyone interested should contact the Massachusetts Audubon Office, 755-8899.

## Millbury Youth Football Registration

MILLBURY - The Millbury Raiders football team will hold registration on Saturday, April 7, from 9-12 at the Town Hall. The registration fee is \$30.

Youths between the ages of 11 and 12 as of September 1, 1990, and weighing 110 lbs. or less are eligible to play. All money raised by registration will be used to purchase uniforms.

Organizers said that, because of the interest being shown for this program, it is very important that anyone interested in playing attend this registration. This may be the only registration for the 1990 season. If you have any questions, contact Mr. Nadeau at 752-1752.

## Sutton PTA Meeting

SUTTON - The Sutton PTA will meet on Tuesday, April 10, at 7:30 p.m. in the Sutton High School dining facility. This will be a business meeting for the selection of a nominating committee to determine candidates for PTA board positions for 1990-91. Disbursements will also be discussed.

## Singles Dance

WORCESTER - The Worcester Separated and Divorced Catholic Support Group will hold a singles dance on Friday, April 6, from 8:30-12:30 p.m. at the Auburn Elks Club, Southbridge Street, Auburn. Admission is \$5.00. All single, separated, divorced and widowed are invited to attend.

## Camelot MHS Sponsors 'You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown'

MILLBURY - Camelot MHS will host "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown," performed by the Clark University Players' Society, on April 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the Millbury High School Auditorium.

This event is free and open to the public. For questions or further information, contact Terry Hamilton at 865-4723.

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## Soccer Clinic Draws 150



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STSA Program Director Bob Austin (standing left) and John Smith (standing far right) offer tips to the Under 12 soccer team.

SUTTON - The Sutton Towne Soccer Association has kicked off another Spring soccer season with its third annual Clinic Classic. Over 150 soccer enthusiasts, ages 4 to 16, trapped, passed, dribbled, juggled and headed an equal number of soccer balls at the Sutton Elementary School gymnasium on March 25.

Featured were the talents and techniques of John Smith, who not only played professional soccer in England at 16 years of age, but also became one of the premier place kickers in the National Football League. STSA players watched, practiced and learned the skills of soccer as Smith spent about four hours working with various age groups. Most STSA members are now better prepared to do well on the fields in early April as the games begin.

Beyond the gymnasium walls, soccer cleats were swapped and sold, sweatshirts and uniforms were tried on for size, and patch contest designs were submitted. Refreshments were available.

## Babysitting Graduation



MILLBURY - The Millbury Public Library has announced the names of those individuals who successfully completed the 4H Babysitting Course: Kathryn Beaudoin, Kira Beaudoin, Erika Bradley, Lisa Briddon, Emily Buresh, Erin Dore, Erin Dromgoole, Katherine Ferrell, Carly Gustafson, Jennifer Harris, Julie Harris, Matt Millett, Karen Olihovik, Meghan Popham, Alison Riggieri, Shannon Stockwell, Michael Thomas, Julie Tower, and Marcia Williams.

These young people attended sessions dealing with child development, fire prevention and safety, first aid, and entertainment. The graduation included a party designed by the class with games appropriate for various age levels and nutritious snacks.

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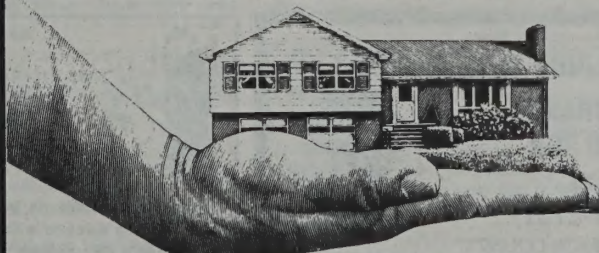


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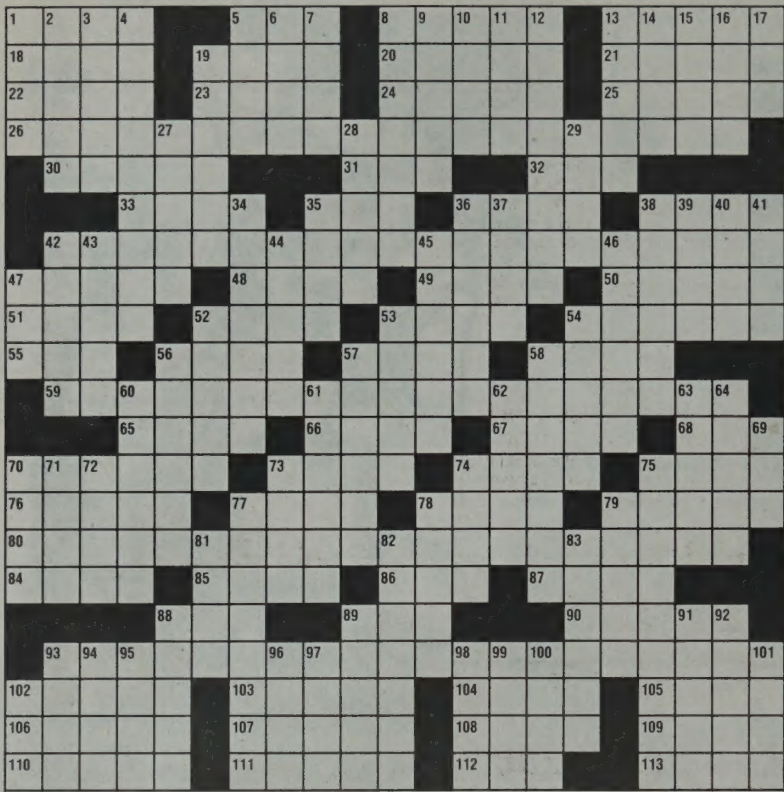
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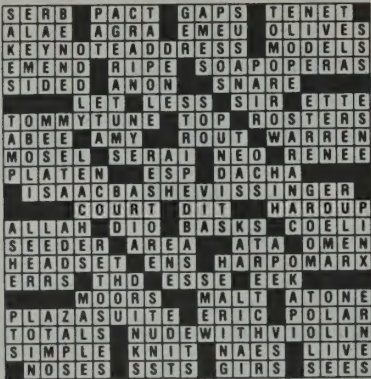
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5 NBA's Unseld  
8 Seafood order  
13 Olpe  
18 Swan genus  
19 Nashville campus  
20 Verandah, in Hawaii  
21 First duke of Normandy  
22 Stack  
23 Court fig.  
24 Dejected, old style  
25 Mythical hunter  
26 Overlapping  
30 Thread prefix  
31 Cover  
32 Campaigned  
33 Like the fabled  
35 Stout  
36 Kimono adjuncts  
38 Cholera  
42 Overlapping  
44 Garland/Holliday films  
47 Payed to play

48 Cafe au —  
49 "I'd hate to break up —"  
50 Commonly, to Cato  
51 Secondhand  
52 Stow cargo  
53 Eartha of song  
54 Best  
55 Howard or Murray  
56 — slump (fall off)  
57 Hercules' captive  
58 Team number  
59 Overlapping  
60 Presley/Duvall films  
65 Bulldogs  
66 Wield a baton  
67 Brass "silencer"  
68 Conger  
70 Small piano  
73 Disguise  
74 Pituitary hormone, initials  
75 River of S. Bulgaria  
76 Erstwhile Ulyanov

77 The law  
78 Cooking direction  
11 Chagall  
12 Shankar, for one  
13 Crinkle the brow  
14 Bee proboscis part  
15 Et —  
16 Coin receiver  
17 —Tiki  
19 More fleshy  
27 Water nymph  
28 Distribute  
29 Anti-Tweed cartoonist  
34 Widens  
35 Rose lover  
36 Pearl source  
37 Symbol of redness  
38 Borneo sultanate  
39 Take it easy  
40 Falls behind  
41 Islet  
42 Photographer Adams  
43 Pool member  
44 Egyptian statesman  
45 Pinned down  
46 Manifest  
47 Sea bird  
52 Boundary  
9 Disabled  
10 Presently  
54 — of Forth  
56 Treasure State capital  
57 Actually existing  
58 Atomic particle  
60 Doge's domain, once  
61 Pass  
62 2104, to Cato  
63 Macabre  
64 Passover feast  
69 Choreographer  
70 Insulting blow  
71 Gourd fruit  
72 Privy to  
73 Cleaning tools  
74 "...sharp as —edged sword"  
75 Tierra del Fuego's land  
77 Geometric figure  
78 "Crime and Punishment" heroine  
79 Fundamental  
81 Stead  
82 Pasta  
83 "Alas, poor —!"  
88 Approach stealthily  
89 Home or blue  
91 "The — love my Shepherd is": 23rd Psalm  
92 Atlanta's Omni  
93 "— I Did for Love," 1975 song  
94 Tops  
95 Brainstorm  
96 Bulrush  
97 "— Get It for You Wholesale"  
98 Unthinking  
99 Swiss artist  
100 Go off course  
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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Chester P. Hanratty, Chairman  
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School Committee

Town of Sutton  
FINANCE COMMITTEE

A Fiscal '91 Warrant Hearing will be held on April 19, 1990 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sutton Town Hall.

April 5, 1990

Calendar

FRIDAY, APRIL 6

MILLBURY - Camelot MHS will host "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown," performed by the Clark University Players Society at 7:30 p.m. in the Millbury High School Auditorium. Free and open to the public.

SATURDAY, APRIL 7

MILLBURY - The Millbury Raiders football team will hold registration from 9-12 at the Town Hall. The registration fee is \$30.

MILLBURY - Rabies Clinic at the Elm Street Fire Station. Dogs from 10-11; cats from 11-11:30. \$6.00 per shot.

SUTTON - A Baked, Stuffed Pork Chop Supper will be held at the Sutton Congregational Church with sittings at 5:00 and 6:15 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 8

MILLBURY - The annual Assumption School open house will be held from 2-4 p.m.

MILLBURY - The Millbury Baptist Church Choir will present a Lenten concert, "To Calvary," at 4:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 10

SUTTON - The Sutton PTA will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the High School dining room.

MILLBURY - The Millbury Parent's Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Middle School Media Center.

MILLBURY - District Nursing Blood Pressure Clinic at the Asa Waters Mansion, 123 Elm St., 9:30-11:30 a.m.

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MILLBURY FEDERATED CHURCH - United Church of Christ, United Methodist Church - Rev. Charles Mansfield, Interim Pastor - Sundays: 10:00 a.m., Worship and Childcare; 10:15 a.m., Church School; 11:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship

FIRST BAPTIST, WEST SUTTON: The Rev. John Olson - Sunday Morning Worship at 9:30 a.m. followed by Coffee Time at 10:30 a.m.; 3rd Tuesday of each month - Women's Association meetings.

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RAYMOND MEMORIAL CONGREGATIONAL (United Church of Christ): Mr. Raymond Mars, Pastor; Miss Elfrieda Klaucke, Organist - Sunday Morning Service at 9:30 a.m.

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# SUTTON

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the Chief of Police has the right to enforce the law. She did say that she was concerned and sought advice from her own counsel who told her that it is wrong for the police to be involved with the people they are charging. She said she felt that the March 29 meeting should be cancelled.

Johnson said he was upset that he had not heard about the incident until some parents called him, and said he knew nothing about the Sunday meeting. "The parents who called me did not call and apologize for their kids actions," Johnson said. "They called and asked if there was anything I could do, and I'm putting it just the way it was asked, to avoid any court action." He said he told the parents that all he could do was talk to the chief.

Chizy said he was present at the meeting. He also noted that he is not a chief of police and was not going to tell Shaw how to do his job just as he would not want the chief to tell him how to be a selectman.

Another parent, Jackie Morello, said that her lawyer maintained that the selectmen do have the right to press charges or not. "That camp belongs to the town," she said. "You people are the fathers and the mothers of the town; you have the right to press the charges or to let them go."

Courtney then asked the board to evaluate the performance of the chief. "One way to evaluate it, I would suggest, is to talk to his peers and see if there is a vote of confidence and talk to the people of town and see if there is a vote of confidence. I'm going to ask you to do that and based on that evaluation, I'm going to ask you to take some action."

LaBonte then asked to make a statement. He remarked that the board should be more concerned with the fact that young people were involved with automobiles and alcohol. He also noted that there were approximately 15 families represented at tonight's meeting while there are approximately 6,700 residents of Sutton. He said the people of Sutton have invested better than a half a million dollars to purchase Camp Marion and that the destruction affects all residents regardless of the amount of the destruction.

LaBonte also pointed out that it could have been far worse had the party not been broken up. LaBonte said he sympathized with the families, but explained, "The selectmen have an obligation to the town and a far greater obligation to the rest of the children living in the town that having automobiles and alcohol on public property,

or anywhere for that matter, is something that shouldn't be overlooked."

Licopoli said, "half of the problem is how you handle problems." He questioned whether a strict policy was best or if the board should decide on a policy on how to handle matters in the future. He also said that the board should be able to have a say in how jobs should be done.

Connor remarked that situations can be handled in different ways "depending upon your philosophy" and she said she believed that it was the board's job to be involved in that philosophy. "I happen to agree, after listening to a lot of it, and I don't pretend to know the whole story, but based on what I believe is a good portion of the true story, I personally would prefer that it be handled in a less rigorous manner. I do have several questions that I think we are going to address the chief about. I don't think it's proper to be giving advice."

Johnson said the presence of alcohol concerned him the most. He thought that the young people should be reprimanded and added that he hoped it could be done "in house."

In an interview after the selectmen's meeting, Shaw said he did not want to discuss any areas that would prejudice the cases. However, he did explain that on Friday, March 23, the police department was responding to a serious accident on Providence Road. According to the log, the police received a complaint at 10:20 just about the time their presence at the accident was terminating. Three officers responded to the call. They found approximately 30 young people inside a building at Camp Marion. They had them line up, took their names, dates of birth, and social security numbers and told them that they would all be contacted.

Shaw said that 29 young people were present, ranging in ages from 15 to 20 years old. There were 22 adults, 14 from outside of Sutton and seven juveniles, one from Sutton. The 20 non-resident individuals came from Auburn, Whitinsville, Oxford, Charlton, Millbury, and Worcester.

Shaw said he went to the scene to help with the clean up and noted that three plastic trash bags of empty liquor containers were picked up. Approximately two cases of full containers were confiscated.

Shaw said he discussed the charges with the officers and they decided on the ones filed because they gave the courts the option of treating them as felony or misdemeanor charges depending on the way they were presented. Shaw said it was his intention to pursue them on the misdemeanor level.

Shaw explained that he was asked

to attend the Sunday meeting. He said he agreed to attend because his philosophy is that he should be available to the public. "I let them know at the beginning that I would not discuss the case but would discuss the process," Shaw said. "They didn't play by the ground rules," he added. Shaw said the parents speculated on how former Chief Conley and former Lt. Alger would have handled the situation. He said he told the parents it was impossible to guess if they would have handled it differently. He did say that he did not believe that a modern police chief could handle it as the parents

suggested, adding, "You don't correct people breaking the law by breaking the law yourself."

Shaw said he has great faith in the justice system. He also noted that the greatest concern should be on what might have happened had a youngster been involved in an alcohol related injury and what liability there is to a town that condones such behavior. Shaw said it is imperative that a strong message be sent to young people that having parties with alcohol will not be tolerated in Sutton.

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